

In the Specification:

On page 12, please amend paragraph [0036] as follows:

--[0036] With respect to each of these tires of Conventional Example, Example and Comparative Example, cavity resonance noise was assessed. That is, each of these test tires was mounted on a wheel having a rim size of  $16 \times 16.5$  JJ, and was set to have a pneumatic pressure of 210 kPa. Then the each tire was installed onto an FR sedan having an engine displacement of 3000 cc, and a peak level (car interior sound in dB) of cavity resonance noise was measured for ~~the~~ each tire. Furthermore, with respect to each of the tires of Example and Comparative Example, a mileage traveled until the annular object formed of the porous material member or members became destroyed was measured to be used as an indicator for durability. Results of the assessment are shown in index numbers where the mileage traveled with the Comparative Example is set at 100. It is indicated that the larger this index number is, the more excellent the durability is. Table 1 shows these results.--